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Re: United States Patent Application
Inventor: Osterfeld, et al.
Entitled: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR FIXING THE
POSITION OF AN END CAP ON A FILTER ELEMENT,
USING INDUCTIVE HEATING
Serial No. 10/037,596
Filed: November 7, 2001
Attorney Docket No: H-0001612-3

Sir:

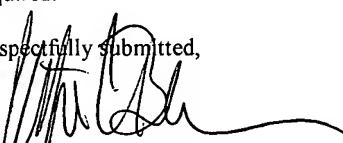
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- Petition for Extension of Time
- Response to Restriction Requirement
- Acknowledgment Postcard

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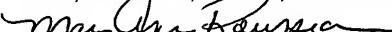
Applicant hereby petitions under 37 CFR 1.136 and other applicable rules to have the response period extended the number of months necessary to render the attached communication timely in the event a petition is required.

Respectfully submitted,



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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)
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Docket No.
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In Re Application Of: Osterfeld, et al.



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This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of October 1, 2003 above-identified application.
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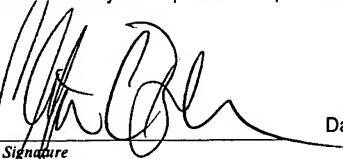
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Date

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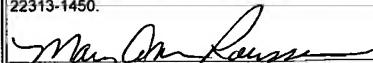
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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In response to the outstanding Office Action dated October 1, 2003,

Applicants respond as follows:

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